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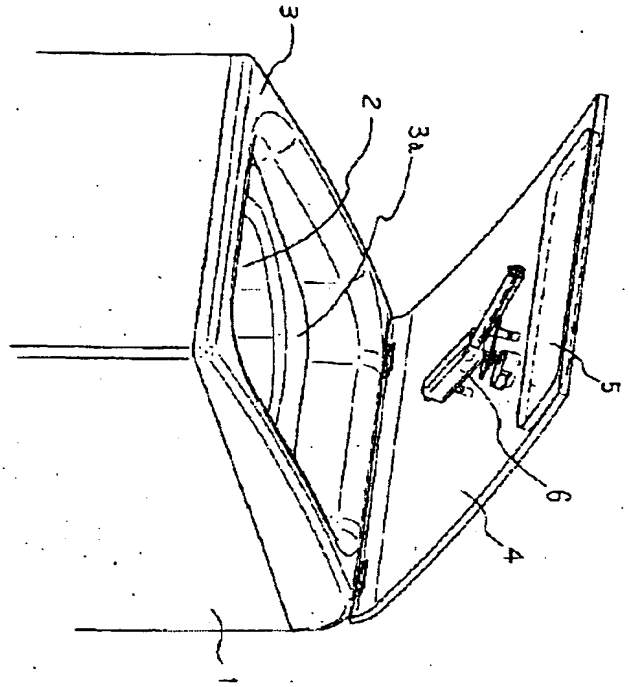
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TITLE : WASHING MACHINE



ABSTRACT : PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To obtain a washing machine with which laundry can be partially washed without damaging its fabric and also the laundry is sufficiently washed in partial washing.

SOLUTION: The washing machine is provided with a washing main body 1 with an internally arranged tub part 2, a top cover 3 which covers the upper surface of the main body 1 and has an opening part 3a through which laundry 22 is thrown into the tub part 2 and a lid 4 for covering the upper surface of the top cover 3. The washing machine has a washing device 6 which is constituted of a boiler 7 having a heating means, a water supply pipe 16 for supplying water to the boiler 6 and a jet nozzle 20 for jet-injecting steam and warm water to the laundry 22 through the use of the pressure of steam which is generated from the boiler 7.

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